

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1700**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : David A. Holcomb et al.  
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For : FLEXIBLE WHISK

Examiner : Charles E. Cooley  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on November 18, 2006. Applicants herewith submit payment of the requisite fee for a three-month extension of time. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.